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| (e) the appeal is not in compliance with 37 rejection in this application.  | 7 CFR 1.191 in that there is no  | record of a second or a final   |  |  |  |
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| 2. The appeal brief filed on is NOT acce  | eptable for the reason(s) indicat  | ed below:   |  |  |  |
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| The appeal in this application will be dismiss brief and requisite fee. Extensions of time m  | sed unless corrective action i<br>nay be obtained under 37 CFF                         | s taken to timely submit the<br>R 1.136(a).   |  |  |  |
| 3.   The appeal in this application is DISMISSEE  |  |   |  |  |  |
| (a)  the statutory fee for filing the brief as required under 37 CFR 1.17(c) was not timely submitted and the period for obtaining an extension of time to file the brief under 37 CFR 1.136 has expired. |  |   |  |  |  |
| (b)  the brief was not timely filed and the p<br>CFR 1.136 has expired.   | eriod for obtaining an extensior .   | of time to file the brief under 37  |  |  |  |
| (c) Request for Continued Examination (I  | RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 was  | filed on  |  |  |  |
| (d)  other:   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 4.   Because of the dismissal of the appeal, this   | application:   |   |  |  |  |
| (a) 🛛 is abandoned because there are no al  | lowed claims.  |   |  |  |  |
| <ul><li>(b)  is before the examiner for final disposition on the merits remains CLOSED.</li></ul>   | tion because it contains allowed   | d claims. Prosecution   |  |  |  |
| (c) is before the examiner for consideration to 37 CFR 1.114.   | 7<br>7<br>F  | cution has been reopened pursuant  T. D. Wessendorf  Primary Examiner  Art Unit: 1639 |  |  |  |